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Quality Education Investment Act (QEIA) Funding Recipients Announced: Schools in Assembly District 45 To Receive Over \$129 Million

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SACRAMENTO—Assistant Majority Leader Kevin de León (D-Los Angeles) announced today the public K-12 schools in his Assembly District that have been selected by the California Department of Education (CDE) School Board to be recipients of Quality Education Investment Act (QEIA) funding.

"I'd like to congratulate the students, parents, teachers, and principals of Abraham Lincoln Senior High School, Belmont Senior High School, El Sereno Middle School, Farmdale Elementary School, Florence Nightingale Middle School, Hollywood Senior High School, Joseph Le Conte Middle School, Malabar Street Elementary School, and Woodrow Wilson Senior High School," stated Assistant Majority Leader De León. "Collectively, these schools have been chosen to receive an estimated \$129 Million over the next seven years."

"This is an exciting day for everyone that cares about providing every student in California with the opportunity for a quality education," said Assistant Majority Leader De León. "This infusion of funding is not the cure-all for helping our low-performing schools succeed, but will go a long way in achieving class size reduction, enabling our teachers to pursue professional development, and hiring more counselors to assist the students in our district."

The Quality Education Investment Act (QEIA), also known as Senate Bill 1133 (Torlakson), was enacted in 2006, and implements the terms of the <u>California Teachers Association</u>, et al. v. <u>Schwarzenegger</u> settlement. This program will provide approximately \$2.7 Billion over the next seven years to the selected low-performing schools that are ranked in deciles 1 and 2 of the Academic Performance Index (API).

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